



CALFED
BAY-DELTA
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The Honorable Bill Leonard
Chairman, Senate Republican Caucus
State Capitol, Room 3074
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Leonard:

We appreciate your comments and concerns regarding the CALFED Bay-Delta Program's alternatives and the process of alternative refinement which we are currently pursuing. As you know, our objectives for the Program are to reduce conflict among beneficial uses and reduce the uncertainty of water supplies to meet short and long-term needs. None of the alternatives currently under consideration would reduce the supply of water for any beneficial use.

While we are refining the number of possible alternatives down from the current twenty, we believe that we have retained a full array of options to be broadly reviewed and discussed during the next phase of alternative review and refinement. I have enclosed a meeting package for our March 21 Bay-Delta Advisory Council meeting which contains our latest refinement down to ten alternatives.

Thank you for your continued interest in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. If I can be of any assistance or answer any questions you or your staff may have, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

Attachment

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service